



Calvary Episcopal Church

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11 A.M. HOLY EUCHARIST, RITE TWO The Second Sunday of Advent December 8, 2019

Welcome to Calvary Episcopal Church.

**Calvary is the home of a community of people who seek to make
the church a place of welcome, service, and beauty.**

**Through the worship and love of God our mission is to:
make the Gospel of Jesus Christ the center of our life and work;
welcome all people into our church family;
love and support one another; and
actively seek out the human needs in our community,
responding vigorously with respect and understanding.**

We are glad you are with us today!

As used in this bulletin, BCP refers to *The Book of Common Prayer*, 1979 edition as amended by the 2006 General Convention, copies of which may be found in each pew rack. Brailled copies of *The Book of Common Prayer* are also available. Please ask should you desire a copy for this service.

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Prelude

Nun Komm der Heiden Heiland
Ben Gillig, organ

Dieterich Buxtehude (c. 1637-1707)

Opening Hymn

On Jordan's bank the Baptist's cry

Hymnal 76

The people standing, the Celebrant says

BCP 355

Celebrant Blessed be God: Father, Son, and Holy Spirit.

People And blessed be his kingdom, now and for ever.
Amen.

The celebrant then says

Almighty God, to you all hearts are open, all desires known, and from you no secrets are hid: Cleanse the thoughts of our hearts by the inspiration of your Holy Spirit, that we may perfectly love you, and worthily magnify your holy Name; through Christ our Lord. *Amen.*

Trisagion

Hymnal S101

Ho - ly God, Ho - ly and Might - y, Ho - ly Im - mor - tal

One, Have mer - cy up - on us. Ho - ly God,

Ho - ly and Might - y, Ho - ly Im - mor - tal One, Have

mer - cy up - on us. Ho - ly God, Ho - ly and Might - y,

Ho - ly Im - mor - tal One, Have mer - cy up - on us.

The Collect of the Day

BCP 211

Celebrant The Lord be with you.
People And also with you.
Celebrant Let us pray.

Merciful God, who sent your messengers the prophets to preach repentance and prepare the way for our salvation: Give us grace to heed their warnings and forsake our sins, that we may greet with joy the coming of Jesus Christ our Redeemer; who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. *Amen.*

The First Lesson

Isaiah 11:1-10

Please be seated.

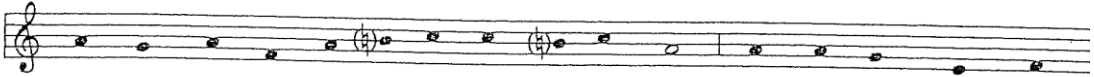
Reader: A reading from the Book of Isaiah.

A shoot shall come out from the stump of Jesse, and a branch shall grow out of his roots. The spirit of the LORD shall rest on him, the spirit of wisdom and understanding, the spirit of counsel and might, the spirit of knowledge and the fear of the LORD. His delight shall be in the fear of the LORD. He shall not judge by what his eyes see, or decide by what his ears hear; but with righteousness he shall judge the poor, and decide with equity for the meek of the earth; he shall strike the earth with the rod of his mouth, and with the breath of his lips he shall kill the wicked. Righteousness shall be the belt around his waist, and faithfulness the belt around his loins. The wolf shall live with the lamb, the leopard shall lie down with the kid, the calf and the lion and the fatling together, and a little child shall lead them. The cow and the bear shall graze, their young shall lie down together; and the lion shall eat straw like the ox. The nursing child shall play over the hole of the asp, and the weaned child shall put its hand on the adder's den. They will not hurt or destroy on all my holy mountain; for the earth will be full of the knowledge of the LORD as the waters cover the sea. On that day the root of Jesse shall stand as a signal to the peoples; the nations shall inquire of him, and his dwelling shall be glorious.

Reader The Word of the Lord.

People Thanks be to God.

Please remain seated. The choir sings the antiphon first, then the congregation joins the choir in singing the antiphon. All sing the antiphon at the end of the Psalm as indicated.

Antiphon:

He shall have pit - y on the low - ly and poor, and shall re - deem their



lives from op - pres - sion.

1 Give the King your justice, O God, *
and your righteousness to the King's Son;

2 That he may rule your people righteously *
and the poor with justice;

3 That the mountains may bring prosperity to the people, *
and the little hills bring righteousness.

4 He shall defend the needy among the people; *
he shall rescue the poor and crush the oppressor.

5 He shall live as long as the sun and moon endure, *
from one generation to another.

6 He shall come down like rain upon the mown field, *
like showers that water the earth.

7 In his time shall the righteous flourish; *
there shall be abundance of peace till the moon shall be no more.

18 Blessed be the Lord GOD, the God of Israel, *
who alone does wondrous deeds!

19 And blessed be his glorious Name for ever! *
and may all the earth be filled with his glory. Amen. Amen. *Antiphon.*

The Epistle

Romans 15:4-13

Reader: A Reading from the letter of Paul to the Romans.

Whatever was written in former days was written for our instruction, so that by steadfastness and by the encouragement of the scriptures we might have hope. May the God of steadfastness and encouragement grant you to live in harmony with one another, in accordance with Christ Jesus, so that together you may with one voice glorify the God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ. Welcome

one another, therefore, just as Christ has welcomed you, for the glory of God. For I tell you that Christ has become a servant of the circumcised on behalf of the truth of God in order that he might confirm the promises given to the patriarchs, and in order that the Gentiles might glorify God for his mercy. As it is written, "Therefore I will confess you among the Gentiles, and sing praises to your name"; and again he says, "Rejoice, O Gentiles, with his people"; and again, "Praise the Lord, all you Gentiles, and let all the peoples praise him"; and again Isaiah says, "The root of Jesse shall come, the one who rises to rule the Gentiles; in him the Gentiles shall hope." May the God of hope fill you with all joy and peace in believing, so that you may abound in hope by the power of the Holy Spirit.

Reader The Word of the Lord.

People Thanks be to God.

Sequence Hymn

Prepare the way, O Zion

Hymnal 65

Please stand

The Holy Gospel

Matthew 3:1-12

Celebrant The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to Matthew.

People Glory to you, Lord Christ.

In those days John the Baptist appeared in the wilderness of Judea, proclaiming, "Repent, for the kingdom of heaven has come near." This is the one of whom the prophet Isaiah spoke when he said, "The voice of one crying out in the wilderness: 'Prepare the way of the Lord, make his paths straight.'" Now John wore clothing of camel's hair with a leather belt around his waist, and his food was locusts and wild honey. Then the people of Jerusalem and all Judea were going out to him, and all the region along the Jordan, and they were baptized by him in the river Jordan, confessing their sins. But when he saw many Pharisees and Sadducees coming for baptism, he said to them, "You brood of vipers! Who warned you to flee from the wrath to come? Bear fruit worthy of repentance. Do not presume to say to yourselves, 'We have Abraham as our ancestor'; for I tell you, God is able from these stones to raise up children to Abraham. Even now the ax is lying at the root of the trees; every tree therefore that does not bear good fruit is cut down and thrown into the fire. "I baptize you with water for repentance, but one who is more powerful than I is coming after me; I am not worthy to carry his sandals. He will baptize you with the Holy Spirit and fire. His winnowing fork is in his hand, and he will clear his threshing floor and will gather his wheat into the granary; but the chaff he will burn with unquenchable fire."

Celebrant The Gospel of the Lord.

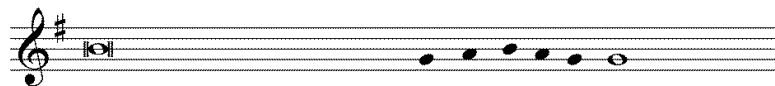
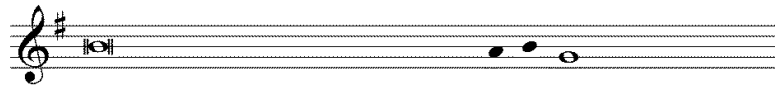
People Praise to you, Lord Christ.

Gospel Alleluia

The choir alone sings the first Alleluia, then the people join in.



Choir:



All repeat the three Alleluias.

The Sermon

Please be seated.

The Rev. Dr. Lee F. Shafer

The Nicene Creed

All stand.

BCP 358

We believe in one God,
the Father, the Almighty,
maker of heaven and earth,
of all that is, seen and unseen.

We believe in one Lord, Jesus Christ,
the only Son of God,
eternally begotten of the Father,
God from God, Light from Light,
true God from true God, begotten, not made,
of one Being with the Father.

Through him all things were made.

For us and for our salvation he came down from heaven:
by the power of the Holy Spirit
he became incarnate from the Virgin Mary, and was made man.

For our sake he was crucified under Pontius Pilate;
he suffered death and was buried.

On the third day he rose again in accordance with the Scriptures;
he ascended into heaven and is seated at the right hand of the Father.

He will come again in glory to judge the living and the dead,
and his kingdom will have no end.
We believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord, the giver of life,
who proceeds from the Father and the Son.
With the Father and the Son he is worshiped and glorified.
He has spoken through the Prophets.
We believe in one holy catholic and apostolic Church.
We acknowledge one baptism for the forgiveness of sins.
We look for the resurrection of the dead, and the life of the world to come. Amen.

The Prayers of the People

The People stand or kneel. The lector and people pray responsively

Lector

As we prepare the way of the Lord, let us offer prayers to God who baptizes us with Spirit and fire.

For the peace of the world, and for our unity in Christ.

*All respond: **Come, O Lord, and save us.***

For Justin, Archbishop of Canterbury; Michael, our Presiding Bishop; Terry, our Bishop; Lee, our Priest; all deacons and all who minister in Christ; all the people of this diocese; and for all the holy people of God.

Come, O Lord, and save us.

For the work of the Mothers' Union, for Grace Church, Paducah, for the church throughout the world, and for the faithful in every place.

Come, O Lord, and save us.

For this nation; for Donald, our President; Matthew and Eric, our Governors; Greg, our Mayor; and for the leaders of the nations and all in authority.

Come, O Lord, and save us.

For justice, peace, and freedom among peoples of the earth.

Come, O Lord, and save us.

For the men and women of our armed forces, and others in the service of our government, at home and abroad. Defend them day by day with your heavenly grace; and grant them a sense of your abiding presence wherever they may be.

Come, O Lord, and save us.

For travelers, for the sick and the suffering, for the hungry and the oppressed, and for those in prison.

Come, O Lord, and save us.

For John E. Cunningham, Joyce Tichenor, those commended to our prayers, and for all the dying and the dead.

Come, O Lord, and save us.

For our deliverance from all affliction, strife, and need.

Come, O Lord, and save us.

Joining our voices with the Blessed Virgin Mary and with all the saints and angels of God, let us offer ourselves and one another to the living God through Christ.

To you, O Lord.

The Celebrant then says

O Root of Jesse, who rises as a sign among all peoples, in whose presence rulers stand silent and nations bow in worship, come and deliver us without delay. Glory to you for ever.

The people respond: Amen.

The Confession of Sin

BCP 360

The Celebrant says

Let us confess our sins against God and our neighbor.

Silence.

Minister and People

Most merciful God,
we confess that we have sinned against you
in thought, word, and deed,
by what we have done,
and by what we have left undone.

We have not loved you with our whole heart;
we have not loved our neighbors as ourselves.
We are truly sorry and we humbly repent.
For the sake of your Son Jesus Christ,
have mercy on us and forgive us;
that we may delight in your will,
and walk in your ways,
to the glory of your Name. Amen.

The Priest stands and says

Almighty God have mercy on you, forgive you all your sins through our Lord Jesus Christ, strengthen you in all goodness, and by the power of the Holy Spirit keep you in eternal life. *Amen.*

The Peace

All stand. The Celebrant says to the people

The peace of the Lord be always with you.

People And also with you.

Then the People may greet one another in the name of the Lord.

The people sit.

Greeting, Announcements, and recognitions

Those with birthdays or anniversaries, those graduating from high school or university, and those with other achievements are asked to come forward and be recognized.

The Celebrant then says

Let us pray.

Celebrant and Congregation together

O God, our times are in your hand: Look with favor, we pray, on your servant(s) as *they* begin(s) another year. Grant that *they* may grow in wisdom and grace, and strengthen *their* trust in your goodness all the days of *their* life; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

The Holy Communion

BCP 361

The Offertory

The celebrant says an Offertory sentence.

Anthem at the Offertory *Comfort Ye/Every Valley (Messiah)* George Frideric Handel (1685-1759)
Aaron Hill, tenor
Judy Wilson, violin

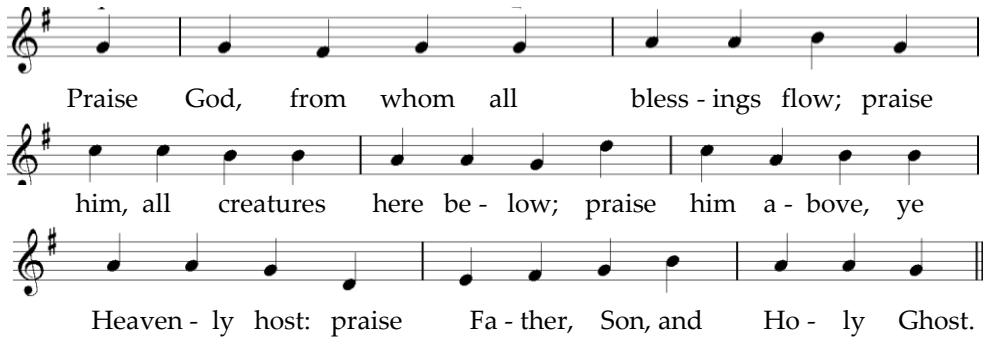
Comfort ye, comfort ye My people, saith your God. Speak ye comfortably to Jerusalem, and cry unto her, that her warfare is accomplished, that her Iniquity is pardoned. The voice of him that crieth in the wilderness Prepare ye the way of the Lord. Make straight in the desert a highway for Our God.

Every valley shall be exalted, and every mountain and hill made low, the crooked straight and the rough places plain.

Doxology

Hymn tune H43

Representatives of the congregation bring the people's offerings of bread and wine, and money or other gifts, to the celebrant. The people stand while the offerings are presented and placed on the Altar.



Praise God, from whom all bless - ings flow; praise
him, all creatures here be - low; praise him a - bove, ye
Heaven - ly host: praise Fa - ther, Son, and Ho - ly Ghost.

Invitation to Communion

Iona Community

The people standing.

Celebrant This is the table, not of the Church, but of the Lord. It is to be made ready for those who love Him and who want to love Him more. So come, you who have much faith, and you who have little, you who have been here often; you who have not been for a long time, you who have tried to follow and you who have failed. Come, not because it is we who invite you; it is our Lord. It is His will that those who want Him should meet Him here.

The Great Thanksgiving

Eucharistic Prayer A, BCP 361

The people remain standing.



Celebrant The Lord be with you. *People* And al - so with you.
Celebrant Lift up your hearts. *People* We lift them to the Lord.
Celebrant Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.
People It is right to give him thanks and praise.

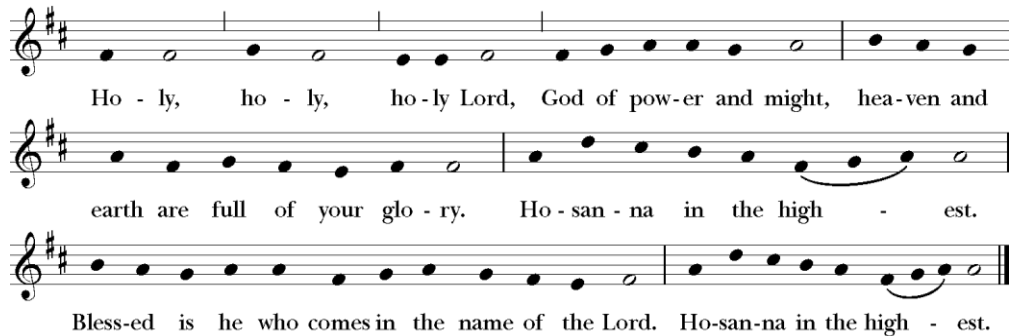
The Celebrant proceeds

It is right, and a good and joyful thing . . .

Therefore we praise you, joining our voices with Angels and Archangels and with all the company of heaven, who for ever sing this hymn to proclaim the glory of your Name:

Sanctus and Benedictus

Hymnal S124



Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord, God of pow - er and might, hea - ven and
earth are full of your glo - ry. Ho - san - na in the high - est.
Bless - ed is he who comes in the name of the Lord. Ho - san - na in the high - est.

The people remain standing or kneel. The Celebrant continues

BCP 362

Holy and gracious Father . . .

Therefore we proclaim the mystery of faith:

BCP 363

Celebrant and People

Christ has died.

Christ is risen.

Christ will come again,

The Celebrant continues

We celebrate the memorial of our redemption, . . .

All this we ask through your Son Jesus Christ. By him, and with him, and in him, in the unity of the Holy Spirit all honor and glory is yours, Almighty Father, now and for ever. *AMEN.*

The Celebrant then continues

BCP 364

And now, as our Savior Christ has taught us, we are bold to say,

People and Celebrant

Our Father, who art in heaven,

hallowed be thy Name,

thy kingdom come,

thy will be done,

on earth as it is in heaven.

Give us this day our daily bread.

And forgive us our trespasses,
as we forgive those who trespass against us.

And lead us not into temptation,
but deliver us from evil.

For thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory,
for ever and ever. Amen.

The Breaking of the Bread

BCP 364

A period of silence is kept.

Alleluia. Christ our Passover is sacrificed for us;
Therefore let us keep the feast. Alleluia.

Fraction Anthem: Agnus Dei

Hymnal S161

Lamb of God, you take a - way the sins of the world:
have mer - cy on us. Lamb of God, you take a - way the
sins of the world: have mer - cy on us. Lamb of God,
you take a - way the sins of the world: grant us peace.

The Invitation to Communion

BCP 364

The Celebrant says the following Invitation

The Gifts of God for the People of God.

All are welcome to receive Holy Communion. Please tell the clergy if you need gluten-free bread. If you come to the communion rail for a blessing instead, please cross your arms on your chest. If you are interested in being baptized, please contact the Rector of the parish.

Music during Communion*A tender shoot*

Otto Goldschmidt (1829-1907)

A tender shoot has started up from a root of grace,
as ancient seers imparted from Jesse's holy race:
It blooms without a blight, blooms in the cold bleak winter,
turning our darkness into light.

This shoot Isaiah taught us, from Jesse's root should spring;
The Virgin Mary brought us the branch of which we sing;
Our God of endless might gave her this child to save us,
Thus turning darkness into light.

After Communion, the Celebrant says

BCP 366

Let us pray.

Celebrant and People.

Almighty and everliving God, we thank you for feeding us with the spiritual food of the most precious Body and Blood of your Son our Savior Jesus Christ; and for assuring us in these holy mysteries that we are living members of the Body of your Son, and heirs of your eternal kingdom. And now, Father, send us out to do the work you have given us to do, to love and serve you as faithful witnesses of Christ our Lord. To him, to you, and to the Holy Spirit, be honor and glory, now and for ever. Amen.

The Blessing*The Celebrant gives the blessing.*

May the Sun of Righteousness shine upon you and scatter the darkness from before your path; and the blessing of God Almighty, the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit be among you and remain with you always.

*The People respond: Amen***The Closing Hymn***Come, thou long expected Jesus*

Hymnal 66

*All stand.***The Dismissal**

BCP 366

*The Celebrant dismisses the People.**The People respond: Thanks be to God. Alleluia, alleluia.***The Postlude***In dir ist Freude, BWV 615*

Johann Sebastian Bach (1685-1750)

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Music Notes:

Otto Goldschmidt was a German composer, conductor, and pianist of the late 19th Century. In Leipzig he studied with great names like Felix Mendelssohn and Clara Schumann. Later in his life he moved to London where he became professor and then vocal director at the Royal School of Music. He also founded and led the Bach Choir from 1876 to 1886. **A tender shoot**, with a text based on the old testament reading for today, clearly emanates a harmonic language of the 19th Century a delivers the text in a straightforward manner in two stanzas.

SUNDAY MINISTRIES

LECTORS: Matalia Wong, Larry Frederiksen,
Penny Brisson

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Brown, Anthony Miller

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ACOLYTE: Zachary Hood

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HOSPITALITY: Linda and Dean French

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ALTAR GREENERY

The ALTAR greenery is given to the Glory of God by W. Larry Brown in memory of John E. Cunningham.

PRAYER LIST

We ask you prayers for the special needs and concerns of this congregation: Art Dietz, Louisa Henson, Tom Hill, Lisa, Lynne Lyndrup, Danni McKensie, Alex Redden, Jack Reisz, Don Snow, Mary Sorrell, Jennie Tichenor, Brenda Wade, Elizabeth Blackburn Walden, Rebecca, and Spencer.